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S4	72	SHAPE()MEMORY AND HUMIDITY
S5	1	S3 AND S4
S6	97184	HUMIDITY OR SHAPE()MEMORY
S7	1	S1:S2 AND S4
S8	0	S7 NOT S5
S9	7	(S1:S2 AND S6) NOT S5

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Humidity responsive material for diapers, comprise shape deformable matrix material(s), deforms in spatial dimension(s) when exposed to external forces, and exhibit change in spatial dimension(s) in humid environment

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US 20030060564	A1	20030327	US 2001911986	A	20010724	200325
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Abstract (Basic): WO 200309876 A1

NOVELTY - Humidity responsive material, comprises shape deformable matrix material(s), deforms in spatial dimension(s) when exposed to external forces, and exhibit change in spatial dimension(s) in humid environment.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - A humidity responsive material having shape memory comprises shape deformable matrix material(s). The humidity responsive material deforms in spatial dimension(s) when exposed to one or more external forces, maintains degree of deformation in spatial dimension(s) when the external force is removed, and exhibits a change, or percent recovery, in spatial dimension(s) when subjected to a humid environment.

USE - For producing laminated articles used for diapers, training pants, adult incontinent products, feminine care products such as sanitary napkins, tampons and vaginal inserts, and health care products such as wound dressings, delivery systems, surgical drapes, surgical gowns and other disposable garments.

ADVANTAGE - The use of **humidity** or moisture to activate the shape deformation material enables rapid molecular reorientation of the material having a latent, locked in amount of shape deformation without substantial increase in temperature of the material. The activation process minimizes the degree of heating of the material and results in no surface over heating of the shape deformation material, reduced material degradation and energy saving.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a top plan view of a composite material.

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Disposable article such as diapers, comprises humidity responsive material capable of deforming in spatial dimension when exposed to external force and maintains degree of deformation when external force is removed

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Breathable, water weakenable film for disposable applications, comprises polymer blend containing poly(ethylene oxide) or modified poly(ethylene oxide) water-responsive polymer and thermoplastic synthetic resin

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Polymer blend, for manufacturing breathable and environmentally stable water weakenable disposable films, fibers and articles, comprises water-responsive polymer of (modified) polyethylene oxide and thermoplastic resin

9/26, TI/6 (Item 6 from file: 350)

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Shape memory material, can be deformed when exposed to external force, where a degree of deformation is maintained, and where material exhibits a change or percent recovery when subjected to electromagnetic

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radiation activation energy**9/26, TI/7 (Item 7 from file: 350)**

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Adhesive composition useful as adhesive coating or layers in various personal care products increases in adhesive strength with exposure to temperature and relative humidity**9/7/1 (Item 1 from file: 350)**

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Preparation of humidity responsive material having locked-in shape deformation for disposable absorbent products, involves forming latent deformation in humidity responsive material which has specific properties

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Abstract (Basic): US 20030060530 A1

NOVELTY - A latent deformation is formed in the **humidity** responsive material (HRM), and HRM having deformation is formed. HRM deforms in spatial dimension(s) when exposed to external force(s), maintains a degree of deformation in spatial dimension(s) once the external force is removed, and exhibits a change or percent recovery, in spatial dimension(s) when subjected to a humid environment.

USE - For preparation of **humidity** responsive material having amount of locked-in shape deformation (claimed) used in disposable absorbent products such as diapers, products having shrinkable, gatherable or expandable component, training pants, adult incontinence products, feminine care products such as sanitary napkin, tampons and vaginal inserts, and health care products such as wound dressing and delivery systems, and other products including surgical drapes, surgical gowns and other disposable garments.

ADVANTAGE - The shape deformation of a material is activated, without using an inefficient thermal heat activation process. The material retains the integrity at the time of use as disposable absorbent products, and has the ability to change desired shape and/or texture during use conditions. The disposable product transforms to a desired product configuration which guard against leakage, upon exposure to high **humidity** environment. The shape deformable material forms as films, fibers, filaments, strands, nonwoven and pre-molded elements, and used to form products, which are disposable and reusable.

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Production of disposable article e.g. diapers, by incorporating humidity responsive material having locked-in-shape deformation and activating material by subjecting article to humid environment

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NOVELTY - Production of a disposable article involves incorporating a **humidity** responsive material (HRM) having locked-in-shape deformation in the article and activating HRM by subjecting the article to a humid environment.

USE - As diapers, training pants, adult incontinence products, sanitary napkins, tampons, health care products, wound dressings, surgical drapes, or surgical gowns (claimed).

ADVANTAGE - The shaped memory in the disposable articles is activated when the products are exposed to high **humidity** or moist environments, without using an inefficient thermal heating activation process and without increasing temperature of the material. The materials retain their integrity during use, are easily disposed of, and have the ability to change to a desired shape. Upon exposure to a high **humidity** environment, the disposable product transforms to a desired product configuration, which will guard against leakage. The materials maximize the amount of locked in shape deformation within the material. A change in spatial dimension(s) of the material is caused without change in the temperature of the material. Recovery includes subjecting the material to a level of **humidity** or moisture to cause a desired change in spatial dimension(s) without a substantial change in the temperature of the material.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the top plan view of composite material.

shape deformable material (14,16)
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S5	55360	HUMIDITY
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S7	39	S1:S2 AND S4:S5
S8	2	S1:S2 AND S4 AND S5
S9	0	S8 NOT S6
S10	37	S7 NOT S6

10/6/5 (Item 5 from file: 348)

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A WATER-SHRINKABLE FILM

10/6/6 (Item 6 from file: 348)

00291599

Article with a reinforced area for fastening adhesive tape members and hot melt adhesive for making same.

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01027585 **Image available**

BANDAGE FOR ABSORBING EXUDATES COMPRISING POLY(ETHYLENEOXIDE)- AND CHITOSAN-BASED COMPOUNDS

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00976727 **Image available**

BLEND OF POLYETHYLENE OXIDE WITH THERMOPLASTIC RESINS

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00976720 **Image available**

FILMS, FIBERS AND ARTICLES OF CHEMICALLY MODIFIED POLYETHYLENE OXIDE COMPOSITIONS WITH IMPROVED ENVIRONMENTAL STABILITY AND METHOD OF MAKING SAME

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00976296 **Image available**

PRE-MOISTENED WIPE PRODUCT

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BIODEGRADABLE FILMS HAVING ENHANCED DUCTILITY AND BREATHABILITY

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METHODS OF MAKING BIODEGRADABLE FILMS HAVING ENHANCED DUCTILITY AND BREATHABILITY

10/6/13 (Item 7 from file: 349)

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BIODEGRADABLE FILMS HAVING ENHANCED DUCTILITY AND BREATHABILITY

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ABSORBENT, LUBRICIOUS COATING AND ARTICLES COATED THEREWITH

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WATER DEGRADABLE MICROLAYER POLYMER FILM AND SANITARY ARTICLES INCLUDING SAME

10/6/20 (Item 14 from file: 349)

00851636 **Image available**

TRIGGERABLE POLYMER COMPOSITION, AND ITEMS USING SAME

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00851635 **Image available**

SALT-SENSITIVE, WATER-DISPERSIBLE POLYMER COMPOSITION

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ION-SENSITIVE, WATER-DISPERSIBLE POLYMERS, A METHOD OF MAKING SAME AND ITEMS USING SAME

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00575845 **Image available**

POLY(ETHYLENE OXIDE) FILMS COMPRISING UNMODIFIED CLAY PARTICLES HAVING ENHANCED BREATHABILITY AND UNIQUE MICROSTRUCTURE

10/6/24 (Item 18 from file: 349)

00575838 **Image available**

POLY(ETHYLENE OXIDE) AND ORGANICALLY MODIFIED CLAY COMPOSITIONS HAVING REDUCED MELT VISCOSITY AND IMPROVED STABILITY TO AQUEOUS FLUIDS AND A ONE-STEP PROCESS FOR MAKING THE SAME

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00575375 **Image available**

HEAT-ACTIVATED ADHESIVES

10/6/26 (Item 20 from file: 349)

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ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH AN IMPROVED, WET-FORMED ABSORBENT CORE

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00535743 **Image available**

BREATHABLE FILM HAVING ORGANIC FILLER

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GRAFTED POLY(ETHYLENE OXIDE) COMPOSITIONS

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FLUSHABLE POLY(ETHYLENE OXIDE) FILMS WITH BALANCED MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

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TEMPERATURE SENSITIVE ADHESIVE COMPOSITION

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STABLE AND BREATHABLE FILMS OF IMPROVED TOUGHNESS AND METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME

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TEMPERATURE-RESPONSIVE MATERIALS

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**METHODS OF MAKING MATERIALS HAVING SHAPE - MEMORY
PROCEDES DE PRODUCTION DE MATERIELS A MEMOIRE DE FORME**

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DISPOSABLE PRODUCTS HAVING MATERIALS HAVING SHAPE - MEMORY

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METHODS OF MAKING DISPOSABLE PRODUCTS HAVING MATERIALS HAVING SHAPE - MEMORY

**VERFAHREN ZUR HERSTELLUNG VON WEGWERFPRODUKTEN MIT FORMGEDACHTNISMATERIAL
PROCEDES DE FABRICATION D'ARTICLES JETABLES COMPRENANT DES MATIERES A
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English Abstract

The present invention relates to shape deformable materials, which are capable of (1) being deformed, (2) storing an amount of shape deformation, and (3) recovering at least a portion of the shape deformation when exposed to electromagnetic radiation (EMR) energy. The shape deformable materials can advantageously be in the form of films, fibers, filaments, strands, nonwovens, and pre-molded elements. The shape deformable materials of the present invention may be used to form products, which are both disposable and reusable. More specifically, the shape deformable materials of the present invention may be used to produce products such as disposable diapers, training pants, incontinence products, and feminine care products.

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English Abstract

The present invention relates to shape deformable materials, which are capable of (1) being deformed, (2) storing an amount of shape deformation, and (3) recovering at least a portion of the shape deformation when exposed to electromagnetic radiation (EMR) energy. The shape deformable materials can advantageously be in the form of films, fibers, filaments, strands, nonwovens, and pre-molded elements. The shape deformable materials of the present invention may be used to form products, which are both disposable and reusable. More specifically, the shape deformable materials of the present invention may be used to produce products such as disposable diapers, training pants, incontinence products, and feminine care products.

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**METHODS OF MAKING DISPOSABLE PRODUCTS HAVING MATERIALS HAVING SHAPE -
MEMORY****PROCEDES DE FABRICATION D'ARTICLES JETABLES COMPRENANT DES MATIERES A
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English Abstract

The present invention relates to shape deformable materials, which are capable of (1) being deformed, (2) storing an amount of shape deformation, and (3) recovering at least a portion of the shape deformation when exposed to electromagnetic radiation (EMR) energy. The shape deformable materials can advantageously be in the form of films, fibers, filaments, strands, nonwovens, and pre-molded elements. The shape deformable materials of the present invention may be used to form products, which are both disposable and reusable. More specifically, the shape deformable materials of the present invention may be used to produce products such as disposable diapers, training pants, incontinence products, and feminine care products.

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WATER DEGRADABLE MICROLAYER POLYMER FILM**FILM POLYMERE A MICROCOUCHES DEGRADABLE DANS L'EAU**

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English Abstract

A microlayer polymer film comprising a plurality of coextruded microlayers including a non-degradable layer comprising a non-water degradable, melt-extrudable polymer and degradable layer comprising a water degradable, melt-extrudable polymer. The microlayer polymer film degrades when soaked in water and is suitable as a covering material for disposable items such as flushable diapers. The microlayer polymer film is also breathable and is a barrier to small amounts of water. A suitable non-water degradable, melt-extrudable polymer is linear low density polyethylene filled with a particulate filler. A suitable water degradable, melt-extrudable polymer is polyethylene oxide.

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METHOD FOR MAKING WATER DEGRADABLE POLYMER MICROLAYER FILM

PROCEDE DE FABRICATION D'UN FILM A MICROCOUCHES DEGRADABLE DANS L'EAU

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English Abstract

Method for making a breathable, water degradable microlayer polymer film comprising the step of coextruding a non-water degradable,

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melt-extrudable polymer and a water degradable, melt-extrudable polymer to form a laminate comprising a plurality of non-degradable layers including the non-water degradable, melt-extrudable polymer and a plurality of degradable layers including the water degradable, melt-extrudable polymer. The method is conducted such that the laminate comprises a plurality of repeating laminate units in parallel stacking arrangement, each laminate unit comprises at least one of the non-degradable layers and at least one of the degradable layers, and the microlayer polymer film has a water vapor transmission rate of at least about 300g/m²/24hr./mil.

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MICROLAYER BREATHABLE FILMS OF DEGRADABLE POLYMERS AND THERMOPLASTIC ELASTOMERS

FEUILLES PERMEABLES A MICROCOUCHES DE POLYMERES DEGRADABLES ET D'ELASTOMERES THERMOPLASTIQUES

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English Abstract

A multi-microlayer thermoplastic film structure and methods of making the same. More specifically, this invention relates to a multi-microlayer film having a degradable polymer layer and a thermoplastic elastomer layer. Filler materials may be included in either the degradable polymer layer or the thermoplastic elastomer layer. The multi-microlayer films may be formed in a co-extrusion process.

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MICROPOROUS FILM

FILM MICROPOREUX

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English Abstract

A microporous, hydrophilic polymer film has a morphology composed of distinctively interconnected pores, which are desirably surface-open. In particular aspects, the film can provide for a water vapor transmission rate (WVTR) value of at least about 1000 grams per square meter per 24 hours per mil (0.00254 cm) of film thickness. The film can exhibit a modulus of not less than about 1 MPa, and may also exhibit an elongation strain at break of at least about 100 % in both its machine and transverse directions. The film can also provide for a water contact angle of not more than about 80 degrees. In other aspects, the porous film can also include other properties or characteristics, such as a desired tensile strength at break, a desired elongation-at-break, and voids or pores having distinctive shapes, sizes, distributions and configurations.

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A WATER-SHRINKABLE FILM

FILM HYDRORETRECISSABLE

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English Abstract

Disclosed is a water-shrinkable film prepared from a composition comprising an elastomeric polymer and a water-dispersible polymer. Also disclosed is a disposable absorbent product, intended for the absorption of body fluids, including the film. The film is useful in imparting

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improved water-shrinkability properties to the disposable absorbent product.

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File 434:SciSearch(R) Cited Ref Sci 1974-1989/Dec

File 67:World Textiles 1968-2003/Nov

File 119:Textile Technol.Dig. 1978-2003/Jun

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S7 197340 SHAPE

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Methods of making humidity activated materials having shape - memory

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File 67:World Textiles 1968-2003/Nov
File 94:JICST-EPlus 1985-2003/Nov W4
File 96:FLUIDEX 1972-2003/Nov
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File 119:Textile Technol.Dig. 1978-2003/Jun
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Title: Characterization of the electromechanical properties of Ionomeric Polymer-Metal Composite (IPMC)
Author: Bar-Cohen, Yoseph; Bao, Xiaoqi; Sherrit, Stewart; Lih, Shyh-Shiu
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CA 91109-8099, United States
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Abstract: IPMC is an electroactive polymer (EAP) that has been the subject of research and development since 1992. The advantages of IPMC in requiring low activation voltage and the induced large bending strain led to its consideration for various potential applications. However, before the benefits of IPMC can be effectively exploited for practical use, the electromechanical behavior of this group of EAP materials must be properly understood and quantified. An experimental setup was developed for data acquisition from IPMC strips that are subjected to various tip mass load levels. This data acquisition setup was used to measure the displacement and curvature of IPMC as a function of the input signal. Sample strips were immersed in water to minimize the effect of moisture content. In order to avoid electrolysis, the samples were subjected to 1-V square wave with either positive or negative polarity. Experiments have shown that IPMC has history dependence and the characteristics response is dominated by the backbone (e.g., Nafion, Flemion, etc.) and ionic content (e.g., Na⁺, Li⁺, etc.). 9 Refs.

Descriptors: Intelligent materials; Ionomers; Composite materials; Electrolysis; Moisture ; Current voltage characteristics; Actuators ; Shape memory effect

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00065904 Pira Acc. Num.: 2372395 Pira Abstract Numbers: 13-78-02395

Title: CORRUGATED PAPER TUBE PRODUCTION SYSTEM - HAS MOIST GLUED COILED PAPER TUBES DEFORMED TO APPROPRIATE SHAPE ON MANDREL AND THEN DRIED

Publication Year: 1978

24/6/15 (Item 15 from file: 144)

14917410 PASCAL No.: 01-0067354

Temperature sensitive water vapour permeability and shape memory effect of polyurethane with crystalline reversible phase and hydrophilic segments
2000

24/6/16 (Item 16 from file: 144)

14857060 PASCAL No.: 01-0002747

Water vapor permeability of Shape memory polyurethane with amorphous reversible phase
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Title: Collisional-broadened and dicke-narrowed lineshapes of (H₂O)-O-16
and (H₂O)-O-18 transitions at 1.39 μm (ABSTRACT AVAILABLE)
Publication date: 20010100

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DIALOG(R)File 323:RAPRA Rubber & Plastics
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TITLE: HIGH MOISTURE PERMEABILITY POLYURETHANE FOR TEXTILE APPLICATIONS
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Industries America Inc.
CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS: Polyurethanes World Congress 1993. Conference
Proceedings
CORPORATE EDITOR: SPI,Polyurethane Div.; SPI Canada Inc.; European
Isocyanate Producers Assn.
SOURCE: Vancouver, B.C., 10th-13th Oct.1993, p.400-4. 43C6
JOURNAL ANNOUNCEMENT: 199404 RAPRA UPDATE: 199405
DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference Papers
LANGUAGE: English
SUBFILE: (R) RAPRA
ABSTRACT: A PU for waterproof sportswear was prepared from MDI,
polyethylene glycol/polytetramethylene oxide glycol mixture and
ethylene glycol. It was designed to have a Tg at room temp. so that it
had high permeability above Tg and low permeability below Tg. There was
a linear relationship between the concentration of ethylene oxide and
the permeability. Some mechanical property data are shown for this
Shaped Memory Polymer. 7 refs.

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Special issue : Functional fibers expanding various applications. Moisture
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memory polymer.
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ABSTRACT: This paper introduces "Azekura" which is warm by lowering

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moisture permeation in low temperature and low humidity environment, and cool avoiding stuffy in high temeprature and high humidity environemnt, and stuiable sport wears, etc. This is the material in which **shape memory** polymer is coated or laminated in 5-50.MU.m of film thickness on reverse side of nylong and polyester cloths. It explains **moisture** permeation mechanism of polyurethane-based **shape memory** polymer used for Azekura and features of Azekura.

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Potential uses of shape memory film in clothing

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Shape memory polymers that can be processed using conventional thermoplastic technologies to give mouldings and films are now available commercially. Films of these materials can be incorporated in multilayer garments, such as those that are often used in the protective clothing or leisurewear industry. Another application for these polymers that has already been developed commercially is their use in hydrophilic membranes that are permeable to **moisture** vapour. This article describes **shape memory polymers that revert within a range from ambient temperatures up to boiling point of water**. These offer great promise for making clothing with adaptive features. Designs for garments to protect against cold conditions or contact with hot objects/fluids have been developed. Now prototype films need to be evaluated.

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Temperature sensitive water vapour permeability and shape memory effect of polyurethane with crystalline reversible phase and hydrophilic segments

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Journal Announcement: 0110W4

Abstract: Polyurethanes based on poly(caprolactone) (PCL) diol, hexamethylene diisocyanate, 4,4 prime -diphenylmethane diisocyanate and hexamethylene diamine were modified by hydrophilic segments, diol-terminated poly(ethylene oxide) or dimethylol propionic acid (DMPA). Differential scanning calorimetry, dynamic mechanical tests, tensile tests, and measurement of **water vapour permeability** were carried out to characterize these polyurethanes. Temperature sensitive **water vapour permeability**, that is, the abrupt increase of **water vapour permeability** at the melting temperature of the PCL phase, was enhanced by modification with hydrophilic segments. Fatigue in **shape memory** effects was minimized

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by introducing some amount of DMPA units into the polyurethane chain.
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Water vapor permeability of shape memory polyurethane with amorphous reversible phase

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Abstract: **Shape memory** thermoplastic polyurethanes (TPUs), based on amorphous soft segment from the reaction of hexamethylene diisocyanate and 1,2-butane diol, and the crystalline hard segment from 4,4 prime -methylenediphenyl diisocyanate and 1,6-hexanediol, were modified by hydrophilic segments, diol-terminated poly(ethylene oxide) or dimethylol propionic acid (DMPA). Differential scanning calorimetry, dynamic mechanical testing, tensile testing, and the measurement of **shape memory effect**, water swell, and **water vapor permeability** were carried out to examine these TPUs. The hydrophilic segment increased the hysteresis in shape memory effect by reducing the crystallinity of the hard segment. The neutralized DMPA unit enhanced the sensitivity of the thermoresponsive water vapor permeability (WVP) by amplifying the increase of WVP at the temperature range above the glass transition temperature. (Author abstract)
14 Refs.

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'Intelligent' Polyurethanes for Interactive Clothing.

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Language: English

Because of the interactions between diffusing water molecules and polyurethane chains, hydrophilic polyurethane membranes tend to absorb moisture and swell during use. Controlling and limiting the degree of swelling optimize breathability and permit the absorbed water to act as a plasticizer, opening up the molecular structure and allowing the transmission of **water vapor** molecules. **Water vapor** diffusion depends on the water content of the membrane and relative **humidity** and temperature at the fabric surface. Apparel finished with a hydrophilic polyurethane barrier layer responds to a build-up of **moisture vapor** by becoming more breathable. Such coatings can be used with liner fabrics, phase change materials, **shape memory** polymers, and antistatic coatings.

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hydrophilic, molecular structure, phase change materials, polyurethanes, relative humidity, shape memory substances, surface properties, swelling, temperature

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Temperature dependency of water vapor permeability of shape memory polyurethane

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Abstract: Solution-cast films of **shape memory** polyurethane have been investigated. Differential scanning calorimetry, DMA, tensile test, **water vapor** permeability and the **shape memory** effect were carried out to characterize these polyurethane membranes. Samples cast at higher temperatures contained more hard segment in the crystalline state than a sample cast at lower temperature. The change in the **water vapor** permeability (WQVP) of SMPU films with respect to the temperature follows an S-shaped curve, and increases abruptly at T_{g} of the soft segment for the fractional free volume (FFV, the ratio of free volume and specific volume in polymers) increased linearly with temperature. The **water vapor** permeability dependency of the temperature and **humidity** contribute to the result of the change of diffusion and solubility with the surrounding air condition. The diffusion coefficient (D) are the function of temperature and show good fit the Arrhenius form but show different parameter values when above and below T_{g} . The crystalline state hard-segment is necessary for the good shape memory effect. 20 Refs.

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Temperature-Dependent Water Vapor Diffusion through Shape - Memory Polymer Laminates: Comparison with Other Waterproof-Breathable Laminates.

Gibson P.
United States Army Soldier Systems Center - Natick
Fiber Society. Symposium (Abstracts) : 55+, 3 pages (Oct. 16-18, 2002).
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Language: English
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Researchers evaluated the use of Mitsubishi Heavy Industries' Diaplex and Toray Industries' Dermizax polyurethane **shape memory** polymer membranes in water resistant, breathable fabrics for military uniforms and compared the performance of those membranes with the performance of an expanded polytetrafluoroethylene (ePTFE) membrane, Gore Tex membrane, Gore Tex XCR membrane, Sympatex laminate, The North Face's Hydroseal membrane, a ceramic

membrane, BHA Technologies' EVENT laminate, and Patagonia's Nextec membrane. The ePTFE laminate provided the greatest breathability over a temperature range of 5-40 degrees centigrade, followed by the Gore Tex XCR membrane. Temperature changes did not alter the breathability of the **shape memory** polymer membranes. Water vapor flux increased proportionally to vapor pressure as temperature increased.

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n-octadecyltriethoxysilane monolayer coated surfaces in humid atmospheres:

Influence of capillary condensation on surface deformation and adhesion

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Abstract: We have investigated the **effect of humidity on surface deformation** and adhesion of mica surfaces coated with **n-octadecyltriethoxysilane** self-assembled monolayers using a surface forces apparatus. The Maugis model of contact elasticity based on linear elastic fracture mechanics is used to analyze the results. The Laplace pressure is assumed to act in the "Dugdale" zone outside the contact area to account for capillary condensation. We measure the radius of the contact area as a function of applied load and use the model to obtain the surface energy and elastic constant of these surfaces for humidities ranging from 0 to 99%. The limiting values in dry and near-saturated conditions are as expected from well-known theories. A significant result is that we also obtain the surface energy for intermediate **humidities**. Increasing **humidity** modifies the **deformed shape** of the surfaces in contact due to capillary condensation. The sharp bifurcation at the edge of the contact zone for low humidities (JKR-type contact) is replaced by rounded edges (DMT-type contact) with increasing humidity. This is predicted by the Maugis model and is experimentally observed using optical interference fringes of equal chromatic order. We are able to separate the capillary condensation and solid-solid contributions to the adhesive force because the Maugis model allows a direct calculation of the area on which the Laplace pressure acts. At humidities approaching saturation the forces due to capillary condensation dominate monolayer-monolayer adhesion. At lower humidities both capillary condensation and direct monolayer-monolayer interaction contribute to the overall adhesion.

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Title: **Influence of processing conditions on the microstructure and properties of shape memory polyurethane membranes**

Author: Hu, J.L.; Zeng, Y.M.; Yan, H.J.

Corporate Source: Institute of Textiles and Clothing The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hung Hom, Kowloon, Hong Kong

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Journal Announcement: 0304W1

Abstract: Solution-cast films of **shape memory** polyurethane are investigated by Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy, differential scanning calorimetry, dynamic mechanical analysis, tensile properties, **water vapor** permeability, and **shape memory** effect tests. Samples cast at higher temperatures contain more hard segments in the crystalline state and better **water vapor** permeability than samples cast at lower temperatures. The change in **water vapor** permeability of **shape memory** polyurethane films with respect to temperature follows an S-shaped curve, and increases abruptly at T_{ff}/s , the **shape memory** temperature of the soft segment. The higher the modulus ratio at two specified temperatures before and after T_{ff}/s , the better the **shape memory** behavior of **shape memory** polyurethane. 13 Refs.

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Set	Items	Description
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S2	833533	MEMORY
S3	37909	DEFORM?
S4	9297278	CHANG?
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S6	279191	HUMID? OR MOIST?
S7	10671	WATER() (VAPOR OR VAPOUR)
S8	36668	DAMP OR DAMPNESS
S9	6668591	RESPON?
S10	330095	ACTIVAT?
S11	59461	ACTUAT?
S12	318541	S6:S8
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S21	0	S20 NOT S17
S22	191	SHAPE()MEMORY/DE
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S24	10	S12 AND S22:S23
S25	9	S24 NOT S17
S26	7	RD (unique items)
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DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB

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09431637 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 17843395 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT).

Memory alloys remember two shapes.

O'Connor, Leo

Mechanical Engineering-CIME, v117, n12, p78(3)

Dec, 1995

ISSN: 0025-6501 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract

WORD COUNT: 1782 LINE COUNT: 00144

ABSTRACT: Two-way **shape memory** alloys are being developed for use in composite structures. The two-way **shape memory** effect allows the material to return to its original shape in high-temperature and low-temperature regimes. Future applications of these smart materials include implantable orthopedic devices and control equipments for aircraft wings.

... The two-way **shape memory** alloys may be usable in a closed-loop control system to alter the shape of...Technology are collaborating to develop a closed-loop active-control system that uses piezoceramic strain **actuators** to **damp** vibrations.

Piezoceramic **actuators**, capitalizing on their rapid response time, which is measured in milliseconds, can successfully damp high-frequency vibrations. But **shape memory** alloys, which respond much more slowly to a computer's commands (they take longer than...

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02837096 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 04082911 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

Setting a single standard. (Table techniques, part 5; Disposables)

Minno, Maurice; Gray, Norma; Friedberg, Bonnie

Restaurant Business, v85, p75(4)

Jan 1, 1986

ISSN: 0097-8043 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 2106 LINE COUNT: 00162

... Single-serve tableware is vulnerable to poor storage procedures, and may actually lose strength or **change** in **shape** if warehoused improperly. Humidity is probably the biggest enemy of paper goods.

Excessive dampness can activate the adhesives used to seal cups, causing them to gap or split, and plastic coated...

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DIALOG(R)File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R)

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03226937 Supplier Number: 44430177

IMAGO THERMOMARKERS USE SHAPE-CHANGING MEMORY ALLOYS TO MONITOR TEMPERATURES

News Release, pN/A

Feb 10, 1994

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

Word Count: 425

... set points cannot be changed. Perhaps most importantly in many applications, Thermomarkers are resistant to **humidity**, electric currents, water, and ionizing radiation.

Instruments based on **memory alloys** are also the only...

PRODUCT NAMES: **3399492 (Shape Memory Alloys)**

27/3,AB,K/4 (Item 4 from file: 16)

DIALOG(R)File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R)

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03299111 Supplier Number: 44554222

Memory alloys eye temperature

American Metal Market, p5

March 30, 1994

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Tabloid; Trade

Word Count: 243

... or energy sources and no special care in operation or storage, and is resistant to **humidity**, electric currents, water and ionizing radiation.

Thermomarkers also are tamperproof as set points cannot be...

PRODUCT NAMES: **3399492 (Shape Memory Alloys)**

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DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB

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07711966 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 16663302 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

Room-temperature-functional shape-memory polymers.

Hayashi, Shunichi; Kondo, Satoru; Kapadia, Pragna; Ushioda, Eiji

Plastics Engineering, v51, n2, p29(3)

Feb, 1995

ISSN: 0091-9578 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 1665 LINE COUNT: 00137

... addition to its mechanical properties, the **shape-memory** polymer has unique properties in terms of **moisture** permeability, thermal expansion, damping, and index of refraction. These large changes in various properties are...

...by making the material partially crystalline, both **shape recovery** and excellent moldability have been realized.

Moisture Permeability

The difference in **moisture** -permeability mechanisms above and below the [T._{sub.g}] is illustrated in Fig. 2. When...

...becomes active. This results in an increase in distance between molecules significant enough to allow **water vapor** molecules to be easily transmitted through the polymer film, and consequently, large changes in **moisture** permeability above and below the [T._{sub.g}] are generated. However, the movement in molecules...

...optimized by controlling the hard segment content of the polyurethane as well as hydrophilicity.

The **moisture** -permeability property can be utilized in clothing applications by setting the [T._{sub.g}] at room temperature. Clothing materials coated with **shape-memory** polymer would have low **moisture** permeability at temperatures below the [T._{sub.g}] and high permeability above the [T._{sub.g}]. Applications include engines, catheters, pipe joints, mask core material, rewritable compact discs, and clamping pins.

Use of **moisture** permeability. Sports-wear, diaper covers, and shoe inner-lining material.

Use of thermal-volume-expansion...

...DESCRIPTORS: **Shape - memory** alloys

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DIALOG(R)File 369:New Scientist

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The Mars collection

LAFEE, SCOTT; Scott Lafee is a journalist working on The San Diego Union-Tribune

New Scientist, vol. 167, no. 2254, p. 34

September 2, 2000

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext DOC. TYPE: Journal

WORD COUNT: 2813

TEXT: Interplanetary travellers next season will be wearing close-fitting pressurised suits of neoprene-coated fabric with a hint of Teflon, in various shades of white, not forgetting to accessorise with gloves and a helmet. Or will they? Scott Lafee checks out the next generation of spacesuits

SOME space engineers design rockets. Others work on navigation controls, fuel systems or how best to squeeze a satellite into the space

shuttle's cargo bay. But NASA engineer Joe Kosmo has a more aesthetic occupation. It's his job to design spacesuits. After thirty years working on classics like the silver Mercury suit and the ultra-accessorised shuttle outfit, Kosmo is planning his next collection. And this time he's thinking Red. Specifically, what will the well-dressed astronaut be wearing on Mars?

TEXT:

...is so low that nitrogen evaporates out of body tissues and the lungs fill with **water vapour**. A human breathing ambient air at this altitude would black out in seconds and die...

...astronaut's strength. Newman's lab at MIT is developing an elbow joint that incorporates **shape memory** alloys, sometimes called muscle wires, to provide assistance to the astronauts once on Mars. These...

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S8	66171	DAMP OR DAMPNESS
S9	555651	RESPON?
S10	295633	ACTIVAT?
S11	413315	ACTUAT?
S12	35366	IC=A61L-015 OR IC=A61F-013
S13	380617	S6:S8
S14	1188628	S9:S11
S15	1500	S13(2N)S14
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S18	5	S16 NOT S17 [1 duplicate; 4 not relevant]
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S20	7	S12 AND S19
S21	4	S20 NOT S16
S22	3	S5(5N)S15
S23	0	S22 NOT (S16 OR S20)

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WPI Acc No: 2003-429966/200340

Disposable article such as diapers, comprises humidity responsive material capable of deforming in spatial dimension when exposed to external force and maintains degree of deformation when external force is removed

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Inventor: SOERENS D A; TOPOLKARAEV V A

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Abstract (Basic): US 20030060793 A1

NOVELTY - Disposable article such as diapers, comprises **humidity responsive material capable of deforming in spatial dimension when exposed to external force and maintains degree of deformation when external force is removed.**

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - A disposable article comprises **humidity responsive material (HRM) attached to adhesion layer(s). HRM comprises **shape deformable** matrix material(s) (SDMM). HRM deforms in spatial dimension(s) when exposed to external force(s), maintains a degree of deformation in spatial dimension(s) once the external force is removed,**

and exhibits a change or percent recovery, in spatial dimension(s) when subjected to humid environment.

USE - As diapers, training pants, adult incontinence products, sanitary napkins, tampons, health care products, wound dressings, surgical drapes, or surgical gowns (claimed).

ADVANTAGE - The shaped memory in the disposable articles is activated when the products are exposed to high humidity or moist environments, without using an inefficient thermal heating activation process and without substantially increasing the temperature of the material. The material, which retains their integrity during use, is easily disposed of, and has the ability to change to a desired shape and/or texture during in use-conditions. Upon exposure to a high humidity environment, the disposable product transforms to a desired product configuration, which guards against leakage. The materials maximizes the amount of locked in **shape deformation** within the material, as well as, maximizes the percent change in spatial dimension(s) of the material. A change in spatial dimension(s) of the material is caused without a substantial change in the temperature of the material. Recovery includes subjecting the material to a level of humidity or moisture to cause a desired change in spatial dimension(s) without a substantial change in the temperature of the material.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a partially cut away top plan view of an absorbent article.

disposable diaper (20)
strips (34,36)
pp; 15 DwgNo 2/2

Technology Focus:

TECHNOLOGY FOCUS - POLYMERS - Preferred Components: SDMM comprises a polymer such as polyester-based thermoplastic polyurethane, polyether-based polyurethane, polyethylene oxide, poly (ether ester) block copolymer, polyamide, poly (amide ester), poly (etheramide) copolymer, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl pyrrolidone, polyvinyl pyridine, polyacrylic acid, polymethacrylic acid, polyaspartic acid, maleic anhydride methyl vinyl ether copolymers of varying degrees of hydrolysis, polyvinyl methyl ether copolymers of polyacrylic acid and polyacrylic ester and/or segmented block copolymer having hard/soft segment(s). The soft and/or hard segments contain functional groups or receptor sites that are **responsive to humidity**. The functional groups are selected from urea, amide, nitro, nitrile, ester, ether, hydroxyl, ethylene oxide, amine groups, carboxylic acid salts, sulfonic acid salts, ionic groups, and receptor sites having an unbalanced charge distribution formed from the above group(s). SDMM comprises a segmented block copolymer comprising an elastomer selected from polyurethane-, polyether-, poly (ether amide)-, polyether polyester-, polyamide-based-elastomers, thermoplastic polyurethane, poly (ether-amide) block copolymers, thermoplastic rubbers, styrene-butadiene copolymers, silicon rubbers, synthetic rubbers, butyl rubber, styrene isoprene copolymers, styrene ethylene butylene copolymers and/or ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer, preferably polyurethane elastomers or poly (ether amide) elastomers. SDMM comprises a multilayer or micro-layer structure having separate layers of an elastomeric polymer and a non-elastomeric polymer. Alternately, SDMM comprises a blend of an elastomeric polymer and a non-elastomeric polymer. The non-elastomeric polymer is a moisture-absorbing polymer exhibiting at least 20%, preferably 50% reduction in modulus when the material is exposed to a humid environment. The moisture-absorbing

polymer comprises polyethylene oxide, polyethylene glycol, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl pyrrolidone and/or polyvinyl pyridine. The elastomeric polymer comprises thermoplastic polyurethane, poly (ether-amide) block copolymers, thermoplastic rubbers, styrene-butadiene copolymers, silicon rubbers, synthetic rubbers, butyl rubber, styrene isoprene copolymers, styrene ethylene butylene copolymers, nylon copolymers, spandex fibers comprising segmented polyurethane and/or ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer. Preferred Article: The disposable article further comprises a non-activatable additional material selected from non-elastomeric polymers, tackifiers, antiblocking agents, fillers, antioxidants, UV, stabilizers and/or polyolefin based polymers.

Preferred Layers: The additional layer(s) are selected from films, nonwoven webs, woven fabrics and/or foams.

Preferred Amount: SDMM comprises 5-90 (10-60) weight% (wt.%) moisture absorbing polymer and 10-95 (50-70) wt.% of elastomeric polymer. HRM comprises 40-99.5 (60-99.5) wt.% of **shape deformable** polymer and 60-0.5 (40-0.5) wt.% of additional non-activatable material.

Extension Abstract:

EXAMPLE - A multilayer film of eight alternating layers of MORTHANE PS370-200 (polyurethane (PU)) and polyethylene oxide (PEO) resin was produced. Powder form POLYOX WSR-N-3000 (PEO resin) was pelletized. Rectangular strips (34,36) of multilayer PU PS370-200/PEO (50/50) film were stretched to 6 times their original length at 25degreesC. The resulting latent deformation was 340% in film length. The stretched film sample was placed in an environmental oven held at 37degreesC and 80% relative humidity. After 20 minutes in the environmental oven the sample was removed and dimensions were measured. The dimensional change of the film in machine direction was 32% as compared to the stretched-film length. Rectangular strips of MORTHANE PS370-200 were stretched using a slow stretch rate and a fast stretch rate. The strips were stretched up to 6 times their initial length at three separate temperatures, 25degreesC, 50degreesC and 70degreesC. The stretch rate and draw ratio did not significantly effect the percent latency of MORTHANE PS370-200. The (stretch) temperature had a significant effect on the percent latency of MORTHANE PS370-200. Also effects of stretch hold and cooling rate on the amount of locked-in shaped deformation was studied. The results of the MORTHANE PS370-200 samples at 90degreesC indicated that stretch holding and cooling rate had a more significant effect on the percent latency than similar samples tested at 70degreesC. In these samples, slow cooling produced the best results in percent latency.

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Resilient prestressed honeycomb structure for protecting electronic instruments - cushions defined planar surface along its lateral length by continuous deformation

Patent Assignee: HEXACOMB CORP (HEXA-N); PACTIV CORP (PACT-N); TENNECO

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Abstract (Basic): WO 9427814 A

The honeycomb structure includes conditioned honeycomb with opposed hollow cell faces forming planar surfaces. One of the faces has been compressively **deformed** laterally along its planar surface to a given depth. This provides a continuous cushioned face portion. The face portion is sufficiently resilient to cushion all surfaces of a body in contact with it uniformly.

The structure is compressed to reduce its thickness by up to about a half without loss of strength or rigidity. The face portion defines an irregular planar surface. Opposite face sheets are secured to the structure.

USE/ADVANTAGE - For protecting glass and porcelain in transit.

Biodegradable. Light-weight structure.

Abstract (Equivalent): US 5540972 A

A method of simultaneously forming and shaping a resilient prestressed paper honeycomb structure having a substantially continuous resilient cushioned face portion, the method comprising the steps of:

a) exposing a paper honeycomb structure of preselected thickness and length to a conditioning environment where the ambient air temperature and relative **humidity** are controlled to dry or **humidify** the paper honeycomb structure;

b) maintaining said honeycomb structure in the conditioning environment for a period sufficient to dry or **humidify** the paper honeycomb structure to a **moisture** level of about 4 percent by weight to less than about 8 percent by weight;

c) thereafter cutting the conditioned honeycomb structure to a predetermined size and **shape** while simultaneously **deforming** the conditioned honeycomb structure laterally substantially continuously along one planar surface by compressing it to a predetermined depth to provide a honeycomb structure having a substantially continuous resilient prestressed cushioned face portion with substantially no loss of structural rigidity and strength; and

d) releasing the compression and removing the resulting resilient prestressed honeycomb structure.

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Sanitary towel with deformable element - lateral compression of element by wearer makes towel mould to wearer's body

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Abstract (Basic): EP 335252 A

Sanitary towel has flexure-resistant **deformation** element which takes up a convex upward configuration when laterally compressed. The element may be mouldable, reformable and/or resilient.

USE/ADVANTAGE - Sanitary towel which through its construction conforms to the shape of the wearer and provides enhanced fit and comfort. The towel is laterally compressed by the wearer's thighs so that the **deformation** element adjusts **shape** with movement of the wearer.

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Abstract (Equivalent): US 5171302 A

Externally worn disposable absorbent article has an absorbent core (40) between a liquid pervious top sheet and an impervious back sheet secured to the top sheet. A **moisture**-stable element (20) bends in a predetermined manner into a convex upward shape when the article is subjected to lateral compression and comprises a flexure hinge creating

a different bend resistance across the width of the element. The element is connected to and in vertical register with the core.

The element is pref. of polyethylene, polypropylene, polyester, polybutylene, polyurethane, EVA, thermo-bondable cellulose, latex or silicone elastomer, and has a central longitudinal hinge (23A), a pair of longitudinal arcuate thigh hinges (23B) and a pair of protuberance hinges (23C) adjacent to the midpoint of the thigh hinge arc.

USE/ADVANTAGE - Used as a sanitary napkin. Provides enhanced fit and comfort by promoting self-conforming cooperation with the wearer

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S2	225327	MEMORY
S3	168375	DEFORM?
S4	1242377	CHANG?
S5	21740	S1()S2 OR S1(2N)S3:S4
S6	169313	HUMID? OR MOIST?
S7	22686	WATER() (VAPOR OR VAPOUR)
S8	10837	DAMP OR DAMPNESS
S9	448706	RESPON?
S10	318270	ACTIVAT?
S11	176685	ACTUAT?
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S13	187533	S6:S8
S14	684014	S9:S11
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METHODS AND DEVICES FOR TREATING URINARY INCONTINENCE OR OBSTRUCTION
METHODES NON INVASIVES ET AVEC EFFRACTION MINIMALE ET DISPOSITIFS POUR LE
TRAITEMENT DE L'INCONTINENCE URINAIRE OU DE L'OBSTRUCTION URINAIRE

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English Abstract

For treating urinary incontinence, an internal urethral support (104) is inserted non-invasively through the opening of a urethra (101) and anchored in the resilient mucosa (113) to improve sphincteric closure during stress, by supporting and strengthening the urethra (101)

particularly its posterior wall (119). For open sphincters even at rest, the internal urethral support (104) is also used as an internal urethral anchor, mounting a **shape memory** element, magnet or extensor, to close the urethral sphincter. In a minimally invasive surgery, the bladder neck and/or urethra are partially ligated to restrict the lumen (100) opening and to improve closure capability. The restricted lumen (100) is reproducibly sized and limited by a spacer inserted through the urethra. For urethral obstruction, similar urethral insertion devices can also be used to stretch and stiffen the urethral wall against an obstruction to widen the lumen opening from within and to promote urine flow.

Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... linking with other devices, without interfering with the bending capability, as shown in Figure 34.

Shape - Memory Induced Urethral Closure

For patients with constant leakage due to their open urethral 101 sphincters...resistance. The present invention provides a non-invasive alternative, a sphincteric shaper 152 containing a **shape memory** or elastic rod 146, which can be inserted near the posterior urethral wall 119 and anchored by internal urethral supports 104 as indicated in Figure 37. The **shape memory** rod 146, three anchoring internal urethral supports 104 and two round end caps 148 to...

...in Figure 35. To prevent shifting of the anchoring internal urethral supports 104 along the **shape memory** rod 146 during device installation, IUS separators 149 are inserted as indicated in Figure 36...

...separators 149 can be made with biodegradable materials, such as PLA or PGA, or with **moisture activated** disintegrating materials, such as gelatin or collagen. In the urethra 101, the anchored **shape memory** or elastic rod 146 resumes the pre-disposed curvature, pulling the posterior 119 wall forward...

...lurnen 100 as shown in Figure 37. Figure 38 depicts a longitudinal view of the **shape memory** induced lumen 100 closure, created by the inwardly indented posterior wall 119 embedded with the...

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AN ASSEMBLY AND METHOD FOR PREVENTION OF URINARY INCONTINENCE IN HUMANS
ENSEMBLE ET PROCEDE DE PREVENTION DE L'INCONTINENCE URINAIRE CHEZ L'HOMME

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English Abstract

This invention is an assembly for prevention of urinary incontinence, the assembly comprising an applicator (4), and an elastomer body (2). The applicator (4) is adapted to position the elastomer body (2) in the urethra of a human, includes a support portion (10) for retaining the elastomer body (2), and a manipulable portion (12) for positioning the elastomer body (2) in the urethra. A urethral plug assembly (300) having an anchoring member (307) defining an aperture (309), and having adhesive (311) thereon, wherein the adhesive (311) anchors the anchoring member (307) to tissue surrounding the meatus urinary.

Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... a body 602 of known polyurethane-based polymer, which provides the plug assembly 600 with **shape memory**. The unique characteristic of the plastic polymer is its automatically triggered **shape memory**, which allows the body 602, constructed of the **shape memory** polymer, to be inserted into the urethra in a relatively compressed and elongated state, and regain a useful shape in response to a selected transition temperature, typically body temperature. The **shape memory** material, however, may alternatively comprise a hydrophilic material (not shown) capable of expanding in **response to moisture or pH gradations**. Similar to the above embodiments, the body 602 terminates in a...

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URETHRAL PLUG HAVING ADHESIVE SEALING CAPABILITIES

BOUCHON URETRAL PORTANT UN ADHESIF LUI CONFERANT DES CAPACITES D'ETANCHEITE

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English Abstract

A novel urethral plug assembly (1) having adhesive (6) which seals the plug assembly (1) against an internal wall thereby arresting movement of the plug assembly (1). The plug assembly (1) may comprise a solid body (2) which is of a sufficient diameter to occlude the urethra. Alternatively, the plug assembly (1) may comprise a body which has the ability to change its shape from a compressed to an elongated condition. In one embodiment of the invention, the adhesive (6) lies on the meatal plate (4) so as to secure the plug assembly (1) against the meatus urinarius. In a second embodiment, the adhesive (106) is on the body

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(102) of the plug assembly (100) so as to seal the plug assembly (100) against the urethra bladder neck or bladder wall. In a third embodiment, the adhesive (206) is on a portion of the meatal plate (204) so as to seal the plug assembly (200) at the tissue surrounding the meatus urinarius. The adhesive (206) seals the plug assembly (200) in place until the wearer wishes to void, at which point, the seal may be broken by the exertion of a downward pulling force on the plug assembly.

Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... of a tube 302 of known polyurethane-based polymer which provides the plug 300 with **shape memory**. The unique characteristic of the plastic polymer is its automatically triggered **shape memory**, which allows the tube constructed of the **shape memory** polymer to be inserted into the urethra in a relatively compressed and elongated state, and transition temperature, that being body temperature. The **shape memory** material however, may alternatively comprise a hydrophilic material (not shown) capable of expanding in **response** to **moisture** or pH gradations. Like the above embodiments, the tube 302 terminates in a meatal plate...

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Liquid absorption agent**Flüssigkeitsabsorbierendes Mittel****Agent d'absorption de liquide**

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ABSTRACT EP 473881 A1

A liquid absorption agent for water or organic solvents comprising, as a main component, a crosslinked N-vinylcarboxylic acid amide resin comprising the backbone chain of a homopolymer or copolymer comprising repeating units of the formula shown below crosslinked with a crosslinking agent: (see image in original document) wherein R¹, R², and R³ independently represent a hydrogen atom or methyl;

X represents a group -COOY, wherein Y represents a hydrogen atom, an alkali metal, C₁-C₆ alkyl, or lower alkyl substituted with hydroxyl, dialkylamino or quaternary ammonium group; a group -CONHZ,

wherein Z represents a hydrogen atom or lower alkyl substituted with a dialkylamino group, quaternary ammonium group, sulfonic acid or an alkali metal salt thereof; cyano, 2-ketopyrrolidinyl, lower alkoxy, lower acyl, lower acyloxy or lower alkyl substituted with sulfonic acid or an alkali metal salt thereof, with a proviso that when R^(sup 3) is methyl, X is not cyano, 2-ketopyrrolidinyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkylcarbonyl, lower alkoxycarbonyl and lower alkyl substituted with sulfonic acid or a salt thereof;

M represents a hydrogen atom or an alkali metal;
p represents 0 or 1; and
a molar ratio of m:n is 50 - 100 : 50 - 0.

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...SPECIFICATION **humidity**: 95%), the weight of each **moisture** absorbent after **moisture** absorption was determined, and the **change** in **shape** thereof was visually observed. The results are summarized in the following Table 9.

Sample Resin...

...SPECIFICATION 200 mesh sieve was used as a **moisture** absorbent 6.
50 g each of the **moisture** absorbents prepared above was allowed to stand in a thermo-hygrostat (temperature: 30(degree)C; **humidity** : 95%), the weight of each **moisture** absorbent after **moisture** absorption was determined, and the **change** in **shape** thereof was visually observed...

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Disposable absorbent product having resilient scalloped edge, and method of making the product.

Wegwerfbares, absorbierbares Produkt, versehen mit einem elastischen, bogenformigen Rand und Verfahren zu seiner Herstellung.

Article absorbant jetable ayant une bordure elastique echancree et procede pour sa fabrication.

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Disposable absorbent product having resilient scalloped edge, and method of making the product.

A disposable absorbent product such as a panty liner (20) (or pantiliner) or sanitary napkin or product for incontinent having a resilient, scalloped perimetrical edge, (21) and a method of making the product. In a preferred laminated embodiment, a resilient absorbent core (25) lamina is disposed between and coextensive - at least in their edge areas - with a liquid permeable topsheet (23) and a liquid barrier backsheet. The elements are bonded together by a multiplicity of perimetricaly spaced, compacted bonded areas which impart a scalloped character to the edge of the product, and wherein each scallop is filled with an edge portion of the resilient absorbent core lamina. Each bonded area is preferably elongate, and orthogonally disposed with respect to the edge of the product; and, preferably, each bonded area comprises a plurality of concatenated discrete bonds (32) for improved flexibility.

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...SPECIFICATION without the application of external forces, it will return to essentially its original size and **shape** after **deforming** forces are removed. Preferably, the resilient absorbent core possesses sufficient such resilience that it will...

...the compressing forces are removed. Its resilience should be essentially unaffected by the presence of **moisture** such as the **moisture** in vaginal discharges; that is to say, the resilient absorbent core should be essentially **moisture** insensitive.

The resilient absorbent core should be of relatively low density so that it has...

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CARBOXYMETHYLATED CELLULOSIC WOUND DRESSING**PANSEMENT CELLULOIQUE CARBOXYMETHYLE**

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English Abstract

Wound dressings in the form of a body-shaped component are composed of body-shaped cellulosic fabric which has been carboxymethylated at the wound[contacting surface. The body-shaped component composed of a fabric comprising a cellulosic material is subjected to a carboxymethylation process to carboxymethylate the cellulosic material at the wound-contacting surface.

Main International Patent Class: A61L-015/28

Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... surface after provision in body-shaped form. Such dressings are particularly suitable for use on **moist** or exuding wounds that are either extensive or otherwise difficult to treat with conventional dressings...
...have a three dimensional shape as opposed to being flat, albeit they are flexible or **deformable**. Their **shape** is such that when placed on a body part they are able to remain there...

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English Abstract

This invention relates to a tampon (10). The tampon includes an elongate absorbent body (12) and at least one surface formation (34, 36, 38, 40) applied over an exterior surface of the absorbent body. The at least one surface formation is of a material different to the absorbent body and is configured to inhibit expansion of at least a portion of the absorbent body i-n use due to absorption of menses by the absorbent body, and/or to facilitate insertion and seating of the tampon in a vagina. The invention extends to a tampon which includes an elongate absorbent body which is non-circular in outline in end view. The invention further extends to a tampon which has a particular correct angular orientation relative to its longitudinal axis, with which it is to be inserted into a vagina, the correct angular orientation being clearly visible to a user.

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Detailed Description

... a rectangular absorbent body into a cylindrical shape. When such a prior art tampon becomes **moist**, the seam may widen as the absorbent body 5 swells, effectively **changing** the **shape** of the absorbent body from being circular cylindrical to being more oval or flattened. This...
...However, when the seam is located along one of the sides of the tampon, the **change** in **shape** of the absorbent body is undesirable and actually leads to leakage of menstrual fluid...

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ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH THERMAL CELL

ARTICLE ABSORBANT COMPRENANT UNE CELLULE THERMIQUE

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English Abstract

An absorbent article which includes a thermal cell actuator capable of adding or removing heat to or from at least a portion of the absorbent article to perform a useful function on the article. The thermal cell actuator may be activated by an action of the wearer or caregiver or by environmental conditions between the article and wearer.

Main International Patent Class: A61F-013/84

Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... impact breathability of the article. For example, if the article includes materials made from certain **shape memory** polymers, such as DiA-PLEX (Mitsubishi International Corp.), breathability of portions made from that material...

...varied depending on the specific polymer formulation. Such materials are described in an article entitled, "Water Vapor Permeability of Shape Memory Polyurethane with Amorphous Reversible Phase" by Jeong, et. al in Journal of Polymer Science: Part...

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ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH PHASE CHANGE MATERIAL**ARTICLE ABSORBANT COMPRENANT UN MATERIAU A CHANGEMENT DE PHASE**

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(AP) GH GM KE LS MW MZ SD SL SZ TZ UG ZW
(EA) AM AZ BY KG KZ MD RU TJ TM

Publication Language: English

Filing Language: English

Fulltext Word Count: 9189

English Abstract

An absorbent article which includes a phase change material capable of adding or removing heat to or from at least a portion of the absorbent article to perform a useful function on the article. The **phase change material may be activated by** an action of the wearer or caregiver or by environmental conditions between the article and wearer.

Main International Patent Class: A61F-013/84

Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... impact breathability of the article. For example, if the article includes materials made from certain **shape memory** polymers, such as DiAPLEX (Mitsubishi International Corp.), breathability of portions made from that material may...

...varied depending on the specific polymer formulation. Such materials are described in an article entitled, "Water Vapor Permeability of Shape Memory Polyurethane with Amorphous Reversible Phase" by Jeong, et. al in Journal of Polyme Science: Part...

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REUSABLE DIAPER WITH AIR-FILLED OUTER EDGES

COUCHE POUR BEBE REUTILISABLE A BORDS EXTERIEURS GONFLABLES

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English Abstract

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The invention relates to a refill diaper (1) consisting of two parts, namely an outer diaper (2) and an inner diaper (3). The outer diaper (2) does easily adapt its form to the form of the space between the legs of a child so that it assumes the same shape. It does include a continuous outer edge portion (4) which will contact the skin of the child and is air-filled to provide a sealed contact with the skin and a distance from motions in the diaper. The outer diaper prevents liquid from oozing out and it does include valves (9) permitting the diaper to respirate and in that way to let out moisture. The inner diaper (3) is constituted by a conveniently exchangeable expandable diaper, the shape of which matches that of the outer diaper (2).

Main International Patent Class: A61F-013/505

International Patent Class: A61F-013/494

Fulltext Availability: Claims

Claim

... an outer diaper (2) and an inner diaper (3), the outer diaper (2) being easily deformable to the shape of the space between the legs of a child so as sealingly to match said...

...from oozing out and comprising valves (9) permitting the diaper (1) to respire letting out moisture, the inner diaper (3) being constituted by a conveniently exchangeable, expandable diaper the shape of...

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PROCESS FOR COMPRESSING A WEB WHICH CONTAINS SUPERABSORBENT MATERIAL**PROCEDE POUR COMPRIMER UNE BANDE CONTENANT UN MATERIAU SUPERABSORBANT**

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English Abstract

A process and apparatus for compacting a web (12) which contains a superabsorbent material (32) can include a plasticizing of the superabsorbent material contained in the web (12), and a compressing of the web (12) at a relatively low pressure. The selected, low pressure can be arranged to substantially avoid an excessive fracturing of the superabsorbent material.

Main International Patent Class: A61F-013/15

Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... samples of superabsorbent material have been subjected to different conditions of compressing pressure, temperature and **moisture** content; Fig. 6

...top view of a quantity of relatively dry superabsorbent material conditioned at approximately 50% relative **humidity** prior to is compressing;

Fig. 7A representatively shows a magnified top view of the superabsorbent...

...of a quantity of relatively dry superabsorbent material prior to conditioning at approximately 80% relative **humidity** and 1 00017;

Fig. 8A representatively shows magnified a top view of a quantity of relatively dry 2 5 superabsorbent material after conditioning at approximately 80% relative **humidity** and 1 000F and prior to compressing under a low force;

Fig. 8B representatively shows...

...compressing pressure has been released, wherein the compressed superabsorbent material has further recovered from its **deformed shape** and is substantially unfractured...

...photomicrograph which representatively shows a cross-sectional view of a composite composed of relatively high- **moisture** -content superabsorbent particles in a 2 5 fiber matrix, as observed after the composite as...superabsorbent material may become flattened, tend to form platelets or otherwise tend to retain a **deformed shape** when compressed. In additional aspects, the deformed superabsorbent particles can be configured to 3 0...

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ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH INCREASED WET BREATHABILITY

ARTICLE ABSORBANT POSSEANT UNE PERMEABILITE ACCRUE A L'HUMIDITE

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ZENKER David Louis,
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Publication Language: English

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English Abstract

An absorbent article includes a **vapor** permeable backsheet, a liquid permeable topsheet positioned in facing relation with the backsheet; and an absorbent body located between the backsheet and the topsheet. The absorbent body may include multiple zones of high air permeability or may include materials which provide improved air exchange after being wetted. The absorbent article may also include a ventilation layer between the absorbent body and the backsheet and a surge management layer between the absorbent body and the topsheet. The article exhibits improved air exchange within the article during use. As a result, the article exhibits substantially reduced levels of hydration of the wearer's skin when in use which renders the skin less susceptible to the viability of microorganisms.

Main International Patent Class: A61F-013/15

Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... It is believed that the contraction of the above materials occurs due to the **change in shape** of the fibrous absorbent materials. Initially, these absorbents are a long cylindrical (fiber) shape, upon exposure to **moisture vapor** these fibrous materials contract into a globular shapes which cause the system to contract...

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WRAPPED TEXTILE PRODUCT, METHOD OF PACKING TEXTILE PRODUCT UP, AND METHOD OF RESTORING ORIGINAL FORM OF TEXTILE PRODUCT
ARTICLE TEXTILE EMBALLE, PROCEDES D'EMBALLAGE ET DE RESTITUTION DE SA FORME INITIALE A L'ARTICLE

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Application: WO 97JP183 19970128 (PCT/WO JP9700183)

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NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE SG SI SK TJ TM TR TT UA UG US UZ VN KE LS MW SD SZ
UG AM AZ BY KG KZ MD RU TJ TM AT BE CH DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LU MC
NL PT SE BF BJ CF CG CI CM GA GN ML MR NE SN TD TG

Publication Language: Japanese

English Abstract

A method comprises drying a hydrophilic textile product at high temperature for a short period of time, packing it with a **moistureproof** film in a dry atmosphere, unpacking it after transportation and storage, and leaving it in normal conditions, i.e., at 25 degreesC and 55 to 80 % RH, to restore its original form. A method comprises exposing a hydrophobic textile product to a high temperature of 70 to 90 degreesC to impart **shape memory** to fiber using thermal hysteresis, packing it with a **moistureproof** film, unpacking it after transportation and storage, and exposing it to a high temperature of 70 to 90 degreesC to restore its original form. According to the method, it is possible to prevent wrinkles and deformation of textile products such as wrapped clothing, bedding and the like, keep a low **moisture** content and readily restore the original form of a textile product after it is unwrapped.

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L2 36549 S SHAPE(2A) (DEFORM? OR CHANG?)
L3 406481 S HUMID? OR MOIST OR MOISTURE
L4 3666878 S RESPOND? OR RESPONSIVE OR ACTUAT? OR ACTIVAT?
L5 65950 S WATER VAPOR OR WATER VAPOUR
L6 47515 S L1 OR L2
L7 1671 S L4(3A) (L3 OR L5)
L8 5 S L6 AND L7
L9 221 S L6 AND (L3 OR L5)
L10 66 S L6 (20A) (L3 OR L5)
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L8 ANSWER 1 OF 5 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
AN 2003:242043 HCAPLUS
DN 138:260542
TI Disposable products having ***humidity*** - ***activated***
polymeric materials with ***shape*** ***memory***
IN Topolkaraev, Vasily A.; Soerens, Dave A.
PA USA
SO U.S. Pat. Appl. Publ., 15 pp.
CODEN: USXXCO
DT Patent
LA English
IC ICM A61F013-15
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AB The present invention relates to ***shape*** ***deformable***
materials, which are capable of (1) being deformed, (2) storing an amt. of
shape ***deformation***, and (3) recovering at least a portion
of the ***shape*** ***deformation*** when exposed to a humid
environment. The ***shape*** ***deformable*** materials can
advantageously be in the form of films, fibers, filaments, strands,
nonwovens, and pre-molded elements. The ***shape***
deformable materials of the present invention may be used to form
products, which are both disposable and reusable. More specifically, the
shape ***deformable*** materials of the present invention may
be used to produce products such as disposable diapers, training pants,
incontinence products, and feminine care products. For example, a
microlayer film of alternating layers of polyurethane Morthane PS370-200
and PEO resin was produced using a microlayer coextrusion line. The
rectangular strips of multilayer PS370-200/PEO (70:30) film were stretched

to six times at 25.degree.. The resulting latent deformation was about 150% in film length. The stretched film sample was placed in an environmental oven at 37.degree. and 95% relative humidity. After 20 min in the environmental oven, the sample was removed and the dimensions of the film were measured. The dimensional change of the film in machine direction was 46% as compared to the stretched-film length.

ST polymer rubber humidity ***shape*** ***memory*** disposable absorbent article

L8 ANSWER 5 OF 5 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
AN 2000:832154 HCAPLUS
DN 134:72275
TI Water vapor permeability of ***shape*** ***memory*** polyurethane with amorphous reversible phase
AU Jeong, Han Mo; Ahn, Byoung Kun; Cho, Seong Mo; Kim, Byung Kyu
CS Department of Chemistry, Research Center for Machine Parts and Materials Processing, University of Ulsan, Ulsan, 680-749, S. Korea
SO Journal of Polymer Science, Part B: Polymer Physics (2000), 38(23), 3009-3017
CODEN: JPBPEM; ISSN: 0887-6266
PB John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
DT Journal
LA English
CC 37-5 (Plastics Manufacture and Processing)
Section cross-reference(s): 35, 36
AB ***Shape*** ***memory*** thermoplastic polyurethanes (TPUs), based on amorphous soft segment from the reaction of hexamethylene diisocyanate and 1,2-butane diol, and the cryst. hard segment from 4,4'-methylenediphenyl diisocyanate and 1,6-hexanediol, were modified by hydrophilic segments, diol-terminated poly(ethylene oxide) or dimethylol propionic acid (DMPA). Differential scanning calorimetry, dynamic mech. testing, tensile testing, and the measurement of ***shape*** ***memory*** effect, water swell, and water vapor permeability were carried out to examine these TPUs. The hydrophilic segment increased the hysteresis in ***shape*** ***memory*** effect by reducing the crystallinity of the hard segment. The neutralized DMPA unit enhanced the sensitivity of the thermo ***responsive*** ***water*** ***vapor*** permeability (WVP) by amplifying the increase of WVP at the temp. range above the glass transition temp.
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AN 2003:299044 HCAPLUS
DN 138:322746
TI Moisture absorbing and releasing particles with good shape stability and coatings/moldings therewith

L12 ANSWER 11 OF 48 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
AN 2002:965752 HCAPLUS
DN 138:354632
TI Temperature dependency of ***water*** ***vapor*** permeability of ***shape*** ***memory*** polyurethane

L12 ANSWER 12 OF 48 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
AN 2002:796895 HCAPLUS
DN 138:222454
TI Functional ***water*** ***vapor*** permeability of solution-cast ***shape*** ***memory*** polyurethane membrane

L12 ANSWER 13 OF 48 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
AN 2000:832154 HCAPLUS
DN 134:72275
TI ***Water*** ***vapor*** permeability of ***shape*** ***memory*** polyurethane with amorphous reversible phase

L12 ANSWER 14 OF 48 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN DUPLICATE 1
AN 2000:901699 HCAPLUS
DN 134:179501
TI Temperature sensitive ***water*** ***vapor*** permeability and ***shape*** ***memory*** effect of polyurethane with crystalline reversible phase and hydrophilic segments

L12 ANSWER 15 OF 48 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
AN 2000:447454 HCAPLUS
DN 133:164662
TI Electrochemical sensors for nondestructive evaluation of adhesive bonds

L12 ANSWER 16 OF 48 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2003 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on STN
AN 2000:188973 BIOSIS
TI The effects of different freeze-drying processes on the moisture content, color, and physical strength of roses and carnations.

L12 ANSWER 39 OF 48 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
AN 1978:143766 HCAPLUS
DN 88:143766
TI ***Change*** in the ***shape*** of the spectral lines of ***water*** ***vapor*** broadened by foreign gases

L12 ANSWER 46 OF 48 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
AN 1967:56460 HCAPLUS
DN 66:56460
TI Viscoelastic properties of oriented nylon 66 fibers

L12 ANSWER 48 OF 48 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
AN 1952:22008 HCAPLUS
DN 46:22008
OREF 46:3761b-d
TI Some factors affecting the stress-strain characteristics of paper. II. Influence of relative humidity

L12 ANSWER 7 OF 48 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:237668 HCAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 139:53876
TITLE: **Influence of processing conditions on the microstructure and properties of shape memory polyurethane membranes**
AUTHOR(S): Hu, J. L.; Zeng, Y. M.; Yan, H. J.
CORPORATE SOURCE: Institute of Textiles and Clothing, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong, Peop. Rep. China
SOURCE: Textile Research Journal (2003), 73(2), 172-178
CODEN: TRJOA9; **ISSN:** 0040-5175
PUBLISHER: Textile Research Institute
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal
LANGUAGE: English
AB Soln.-cast films of shape memory polyurethane are investigated by Fourier transform IR spectroscopy, differential scanning calorimetry, dynamic mech. anal., tensile properties, ***water*** ***vapor*** permeability, and ***shape*** ***memory*** effect tests. Samples cast at higher temps. contain more hard segments in the cryst. state and better water vapor permeability than samples cast at lower temps. The change in ***water*** ***vapor*** permeability of ***shape*** ***memory*** polyurethane films with respect to temp. follows an S-shaped curve, and increases abruptly at Ts, the shape.memory temp. of the soft segment. The higher the modulus ratio at two specified temps. before and after Ts, the better the shape memory behavior of shape memory polyurethane.
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AUTHOR(S): Morikawa, Masaaki; Takahashi, Masaki
CORPORATE SOURCE: Industrial Research Institutes of Ehime Prefecture, Japan
SOURCE: Ehime-ken Kogyoeki Shiken Kenkyu Kikan Kenkyu Hokoku (2000), 38, 95-97
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DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal
LANGUAGE: Japanese
AB Filter paper, rayon fiber paper, and melt blown nonwovens of polypropylene were satd. with polyurethanes in DMF. The impregnated paper had high water vapor permeability, which rised markedly with increasing temp.

L12 ANSWER 19 OF 48 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:267210 HCAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 130:339606
TITLE: **Shape-memory paper and sheets**
INVENTOR(S): Ishiguro, Hideyuki; Miyazaki, Kazuya; Amikura, Kazuhiro
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Toyo Ink Mfg. Co., Ltd., Japan
SOURCE: Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho, 6 pp.
CODEN: JKXXAF

DOCUMENT TYPE:

Patent

LANGUAGE:

Japanese

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
JP 11115137	A2	19990427	JP 1997-278321	19971013
JP 1997-278321			JP 1997-278321	19971013

PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:

AB Title paper and sheets, are useful for securities, ballots, prepaid cards, etc., are obtained by coating or laminating paper or polymer sheets with cryst. urethane prepolymers on one or both sides and then moisture-curing the prepolymers. The paper and sheets return to the initial shapes without wrinkles by heat treatment after crumpled. Preferably, the prepolymers are obtained by reacting cryst. polyester-polyols with polyfunctional isocyanates and have NCO terminal groups. Thus, 100 parts a cryst. polyester diol (from succinic acid and 1,8-octanediol) was polymd. with 65 parts MDI to obtain an urethane prepolymer, which was applied on paper at 85 g/m² and cured at 65° ***humidity*** and 20.degree. for 24 h to give ***shape*** - ***memory*** paper. The paper was crumpled to form wrinkles and heated at 120.degree. for 3 min in an oven to return to the initial shape without wrinkles.

L12 ANSWER 25 OF 48 HCPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:109840 HCPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 128:141610

TITLE:

Properties and applications of polyurethane-based shape memory polymer

AUTHOR(S):

Hayashi, S.

CORPORATE SOURCE:

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SOURCE:

US-Japan Workshop on Smart Materials and Structures, Proceedings, 1st, Seattle, Dec. 3-4, 1995 (1996), Meeting Date 1995, 29-38. Editor(s): Inoue, Kanryu; Shen, Steve I. Y.; Taya, Minoru. Minerals, Metals & Materials Society: Warrendale, Pa.

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DOCUMENT TYPE:

Conference

LANGUAGE:

English

AB The properties and uses of polyurethane-based shape memory polymers are discussed. The polyester-polyurethanes and polyether-polyurethanes have a glass transition temp., Tg, in the room temp. range and an elastic modulus that changes largely at temps. below and above Tg. The shape memory material can fix its deformation by cooling below Tg, and recovers the original shape by heating above Tg. In addn., it has specific properties, such as gas permeability and damping property. Three products developed with the polyurethanes include an injection-moldable thermoplastic, a soln. suitable for coating, and a prepolymer for potting compds. consisting of two components.

REFERENCE COUNT: 3 THERE ARE 3 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS RECORD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT

L12 ANSWER 27 OF 48 HCPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:599266 HCPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 123:200192

TITLE:

Properties and applications of polyurethane-series shape memory polymer

AUTHOR(S):

Hayashi, S.; Kondo, S.; Giordano, C.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd., Japan
SOURCE: Annual Technical Conference - Society of Plastics Engineers (1994), 52nd(Vol. 2), 1998-2001
CODEN: ACPED4; ISSN: 0272-5223
PUBLISHER: Society of Plastics Engineers
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review
LANGUAGE: English
AB A review with 5 refs. covers the development of a polyurethane-series shape memory polymer having max. mech. property changes in the range of room temp. including: the ***shape*** ***memory*** effect, ***moisture*** permeability, thermal expansion function, damping function, optical function, types of materials, and applications.

L12 ANSWER 30 OF 48 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1993:672353 HCAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 119:272353
TITLE: **Shape memory resins**
AUTHOR(S): Harada, Eisuke
CORPORATE SOURCE: Nikkan Kogyo Shinbunsha, Japan
SOURCE: Kogyo Zairyo (1993), 41(2), 111-15
CODEN: KZAIA5; ISSN: 0452-2834
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal
LANGUAGE: Japanese
AB The principles of ***shape*** ***memory*** effect of resins, in general, and automatic control of ***moisture*** amt. of sportswear by using polymers with proper glass temp., in particular, are discussed.

L12 ANSWER 32 OF 48 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1991:476238 HCAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 115:76238
TITLE: **Iron base shape memory alloys**
INVENTOR(S): Otsuka, Hiroaki; Yamada, Hiroyuki; Maruyama, Tadakatsu; Tanahashi, Hiroyuki
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Nippon Steel Corp., Japan
SOURCE: Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho, 5 pp.
CODEN: JKXXAF
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent
LANGUAGE: Japanese
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1
PATENT INFORMATION:

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JP 1989-47689				19890228

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AB The alloys contain Mn 5-15, N 0.02-0.5, Cr 1-20, Ni 1-10, Si 1-10, and optionally Co 1-10, Al 1-10, Ge and Nb 0.005-0.5 each, Ti and V 0.05-1 each, B 0.005-0.5, and rare earth metal 0.005-0.5%. The alloys have high ***shape*** ***memory*** effect and corrosion resistance and can be used in a ***moisture*** -contg. atm. without protective coating.

L12 ANSWER 36 OF 48 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1988:57748 HCAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 108:57748
TITLE: **Deformation of synthetic fibers in a sorptive medium.**
III. Deformation of polyamide fibers in relation to fiber shape
AUTHOR(S): Grebennikov, S.; Aleksandrov, S.; Lazarova, R.; Kinin,

A.

CORPORATE SOURCE:

Inst. Tekst. Leka Prom., Bulg.

SOURCE:

Khimiya i Industriya (1922-1988) (1987), 59(1), 29

CODEN: KINSAF; ISSN: 0368-5764

DOCUMENT TYPE:

Journal

LANGUAGE:

Bulgarian

AB The deformation of polyamide fibers with different cross-sectional profiles (triangular, trilobe, four-lobe, and H-shaped) was studied as a function of air humidity. At low air humidity, the amt. of sorbed water vapor was equal for all fibers. At high relative humidity (95-99%), the amt. of sorbed water depended on the fiber perimeter. Elastic deformation was significantly affected by the cross-sectional shape of the fiber. The highest increase in **elastic deformation with increasing relative humidity** was obsd. for trilobe-shaped fibers.